GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:499
ANSWERED ON:24.04.2003
INVESTMENT IN POWER GENERATION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of investment in power generation by public and private sectors;

(b) whether the Government has taken adequate steps to improve the conditions for investment in these sectors; and

(c) if so the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI ANANT GANGARAM GEETE)

(a) to (c) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 499 TO BE ANSWERED IN TH LOK SABHA ON 24.04.2003 REGARDING INVESTMENT IN POWER GENERATION.

(a) to (c) : From 1st Plan to 9th Plan total public sector investment in the powersector (including generation) is estimated to be Rs.2,85,576.33 crores. Figures regarding actual investment by private sector in the power sector are not maintained. However, the private power projects Commissioned/under construction and have been accorded Techno-Economic Clearance envisage total investment of around DM 238.49 million + US$ 4950.52 million and Rs.13,515.16crore. The installed power generation capacity in the country as on 31.3.2003 is 1,07,972.80 MW comprising 96,104.98 in the public sector and remaining 11867.82 MW in the private sector. A capacity of 22,011.92 MW is under execution, comprising 19,477.92 MW in the public sector and 2,534 MW in theprivate sector.

Government have been reviewing and taking necessary steps from time to time to facilitate and enhance investment in power generation projects. In the 10th Plan the plan outlay for public sector investment in the central sector has been increased about three times. The new Electricity Bill creates a more liberal framework for private sector investment.